

House Resolution No. 1450

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding Missouri citizen who has distinguished himself as a leader in the agriculture industry; and

Whereas, Anthony E. "Tony" Clayton, an esteemed resident of Jefferson City, Missouri, has been named the 2002 Missouri Agricultural Exporter of the Year; and

Whereas, Tony Clayton is the President of Clayton Agri-Marketing, Inc., a full-service supplier of livestock and other agricultural products throughout the world that is dedicated to helping its clients maximize the genetic potential of their herd by accessing the best livestock, feed, equipment, and supplies that the United States has to offer; and

Whereas, Tony Clayton served as a Coordinator of the International Marketing Program with the Missouri Department of Agriculture for seven years before establishing Clayton Agri-Marketing, Inc., one of the leading livestock and agricultural exporters in the United States that has successfully exported live animals, genetics, and related agricultural equipment to forty-four different countries; and

Whereas, Tony Clayton is exceedingly proud of the enviable list of service he has compiled to such important organizations as the Missouri Professional Auctioneers Association, Livestock Exporters Association, and Missouri Farm Bureau, just to name a few; and

Whereas, Tony Clayton is the proud recipient of several awards and honors, including the State Fair Community College Distinguished Alumni award, State Employee of the Month award, Future Farmers of America Honorary State Farmer Degree, Missouri Pork Producers Association Award for Outstanding Service, and the Central Missouri State University Alumni Award; and

Whereas, a devout member of the Wesley United Methodist Church, Tony Clayton has been abundantly blessed with the love and admiration of his devoted wife, Evan, and his three children, Callie, Carrie, and Austin:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Tony Clayton at this proud moment of well-deserved distinction, and in wishing him only the very best of success in all his future endeavors; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for 2002 Missouri Agricultural Exporter of the Year, Anthony E. Clayton.

Offered by _____
Representative Mark J. Bruns
District No. 113

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1450, adopted April 7, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker